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**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Please replace the claims with the claims provided in the listing below wherein status, amendments, additions and cancellations are indicated.

1. (Currently Amended) A device for regulating the tension of a thread unwound from a bobbin of a bobbin-holder for a leno selvedge apparatus, said device comprising:

a brake drum for receiving the bobbin-holder[.];

5 said brake drum having a brake means and the device being provided with a guide arm for the thread of the bobbin;

characterized in that the brake means comprising (4) comprises a pivotable brake lever (10) having a brake shoe, said brake shoe (14) resting against the brake drum; (1), with-

10 the brake lever (10) having a guide arm (20) provided with an eye (21) for passage of the thread (6) unwound from the bobbin; and (5)

a fulcrum of the brake lever being disposed on a tangent, the tangent being disposed at the intersection between the center point line of the brake drum and the center line of the brake shoe.

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2. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 1, wherein characterized  
in that the brake shoe (14) is under the action of a force, and, more specifically,  
is spring-loaded.
- 5 3. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 2, wherein characterized  
in that the force, more specifically the force of the spring(s) of the brake  
means is adjustable to the brake shoe (14).
4. (Cancelled)
- 10 5. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 1, wherein:  
a first distance is defined by characterized in that the ratio of the spacing  
between the cyc (21) of the guide arm (20) and the center point line (13) of the  
brake means (4) on the one side; and of  
a second distance is defined by the spacing between the fulcrum of the  
brake lever (10) to the center point line (13) of the brake means; and on the  
other side (H2 to H1)  
15 a ratio of the first distance to the second distance is comprised between  
9:1 and 12:1.

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6. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 1, wherein characterized  
in that the guide arm (20) is configured to be elastically flexible.

7. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 1, wherein characterized  
in that the brake drum (1) has a uniform surface on its circumference against  
5 which the brake shoe rests (14) is resting.

8. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 1, wherein characterized  
in that the diameter of the brake drum (1) is approximately three times the  
diameter of a full bobbin (5).

9. (New) A device for regulating the yarn tension of a yarn, the yarn being  
10 pulled from a yarn package, the device comprising:  
a brake drum which accommodates the yarn package holding device, the  
brake drum having a braking arrangement, the device having a guiding arm for  
the yarn of the yarn package, the braking arrangement comprising a pivotable  
brake lever with a brake shoe lying in contact with the brake drum, the brake  
15 lever having a guiding arm with an eye for the yarn pulled off from the package;  
and

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a fulcrum of the brake lever being disposed on a tangent, the tangent  
being disposed at the intersection between a center point line of the brake drum  
and a center line of the brake shoe.